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Sunday

THE REDEEMER

SERMONETTE

How gladly the people welcomed Christ as He rode in triumph into Jerusalem on that first Palm Sunday! They hurried before Him spreading their garments and palm branches on the road and shouting, "Blessed is the King who comes in the Lord's name." Here was the One who was going to realize for them all their age-long desires. He would be their king and set them free. And surely our Lord deserved all that was done for Him that day.

But let us look five days later. Where were the crowds of Palm Sunday when Good Friday came? Where were those who had been so sure that Christ was their God-ordained king? On the day of crucifixion Christ was almost alone. Only John and a few women stayed with Him.

It is easy to be loyal to Jesus when the crowd is for Him and all is going well. Will we be true to Him when popular feeling is against Him or against the right? Will we be true to Him when it is difficult to forgive insults or slights or grave injustice, when it goes against our nature to return good for evil? Will we have the faith to follow Him and trust Him when everything seems against us and the future seems dark?

Christ was more truly the King of kings on the Cross than He was on the back of the colt, for it was through His cross that He redeemed the world and showed us the great love of God.

Let us pay Christ the honor that is due Him with the witness of our lips and our hymns of praise as they did on that Palm Sunday, but let us also go with Him even to the Cross by living according to the loving spirit of His life.

-- Rowland Harker --

C.E. TONIGHT

Tonight all three C.E. groups will hold a joint meeting with Rev. Rowland Harker as speaker. He will talk on his many experiences in Japan as a missionary.

All other interested persons are cordially invited to attend this meeting which will be held in the Church Library beginning at 7 o'clock.

IN CHRIST, A NEW CREATION
2 Cor. 5:17

I hear men speak of a bright new world;
I listen to plans for a just world peace,
With banners of combat all furled,
And good-will ships on the seven seas;

Where young men learn of war no more,
Where strong men scorn to exploit the weak,
And old men dream by a sunlit door,--
It is the brotherhood of which they speak.

We who have learned in the school of Christ
Know how well it could all come true;
Yet such a future is high priced;
It costs to make the world anew.

It costs much to make a new man,-
A bitter cross on a lonely hill;
Yet a new earth is God's own plan,
Come, share in its glory, all who will!

-- Ruby Reyburn Tobias --

y.p. c.e. cabinet

On Sunday evening, March 19, the Y.P. C.E. at its regular meeting elected new officers:
President - Asako Takusagawa
Vice Pres.- Louise Hayakawa
Secretary - Nobuko Mukai
Devotional Chrmn.- Rose Tanabe
Lookout Chrmn. - Hisaye Watari
Fellowship Chrmn.- Totomi Mano

Miss Alice Grube will remain as advisor to this newly combined Senior and Y.P. Society.

EASTER

EASTER DAY CHURCH SCHEDULE
April 9, 1944
Poston, 3, Arizona

5:00 A.M. Sunrise Service and Baptism. Meet in front of Church Library, 310-7-D for transportation to mountains.
SPEAKER..REV. ROWLAND HARKER

8:30 A.M. Chapel I Sunday School Program at Chapel 305.

8:30 A.M. Chapel II Sunday School Program at Chapel 329.

10:45 A.M. Easter Worship Service at Chapel 329.
SPEAKER..REV. ROWLAND HARKER

1:30 P.M. Picnic for the community children at 329 Mesquites.

No C. E. meetings will be held on Sunday evening.

Please make an especial effort to invite all the neighborhood children to the community picnic as a good time of games and relays will be held. Gifts will be presented to each child present with additional prizes awarded to the winners of the various games.

Y.P. SOCIAL

Last Sunday night a hilarious time was enjoyed by a large crowd of Church members. The evening started off with the "early birds" untangling yards and yards of string strung all over the 305 R. H. with surprise packages attached at the ends.

Preceded by a short singspiration led by Raiko Konatsu, Mrs. Toi Trokoy took over the games. As the group gaily bumped and grabbed for each other during the energetic games, many new acquaintances were informally realized.

Everyone then marched over to the Library where refreshments were served buffet style to the ravenous group with Emma Takasaki, Mary Iguchi, Yoshio Miyamoto, Sophie Shigemo, and Raiko Konatsu waiting on the people. Gallons of delicious hot chocolate, and trays full of sandwiches, graham crackers, soda crackers, variety of cookies, popcorn, pickles, and celery were consumed.

The fun-filled evening came to a blissful end with everyone forming a circle singing, "Blest Be the Tie that Binds" with prayer by Advisor Rev. Imai. (cont.)

We are glad to see Tokiko Hirashima and Vera Furubayashi back at home after their long confinement in the Poston Hospital.

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The Church Library is grateful for the books sent in by Mr. Harry Minami of Cleveland, Ohio. Titles are True Evangelism by L.S. Chafer and Poems with Power compiled by James Mudge.

REV. IMAI = ADVISOR

Rev. K. Imai, issei minister, was voted in as advisor of the Young Peoples Church.

He is willing to help us at anytime with our problems and difficulties so please feel free to confer with him. He can be contacted either at 309-10-B or at the Church Library.

Born in 1886 in Nagano Ken, Japan, he first came to the United States in 1905 as an agent for a silk establishment and then decided to make his home in this country.

His ministry began in Walnut Grove, California, where Rev. Imai worked for sixteen years. In 1930, he was transferred to Dinuba, California from where he evacuated to Poston 3.

Although his work has been primarily among the isseis, he has kept up his interest in the Y.P. Church as the first moderator of the Poston 3 Christian Church. We are very happy to welcome him as our Y.P. advisor and counsellor.

departures

We ask God's care and guidance upon all those who departed from our midst, among them:
Mary & Toku Nakamoto, Philadelphia
Katsuko Miyashita, Chicago, Ill.
Mrs. Tami Satow & daughter, Minn.
Thomas Tajiri, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Dr. Toru Togasaki, New York
Koyne Kiritani, Chicago, Ill.

(cont.)

Much credit for the successful evening goes to Co-chairmen Emma Takasaki and Mary Abe; Ted Yamazaki for procuring the refreshments; Kimi Shimizu, invitations; Mrs. Toi Trokoy, games; door men, Robert Ieiri and Neil Takahashi; and also to the large crew of girls who helped to prepare the food. We are especially indebted to 310 Mess Hall for the use of their facilities.